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Claim Amendments

Applicants thank the Office for indicating that claims 9-13 include allowable subject matter. Applicants have canceled Claims 1-8 and 14-20 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 9 has been amended to include the limitations of base claim 7. Claims 10-13 have been amended to further clarify the subject matter claimed. Claims 21-28 are new and are supported by the disclosure. No new matter has been added. Claims 21-28 depend from Claim 9, and are therefore allowable at least by virtue of their dependency from Claim 9.

Terminal Disclaimer

Claims 1-20 have been rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-6 of U.S. 6,711,251. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. Nonetheless, in order to further the allowance of the application, Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c). Hence, Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the objections and rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of each of the pending claims. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below if such a call would in any way facilitate allowance of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-2469.

Respectfully submitted,

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